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1. PROPOSED DATES FEBRUARY 10-12 FOR STAG PAUL FOSTER ACCEPTABLE
TO POST. SUBJECT TO FOSTER AND DEPARTMENT ALMROVAL, WE PROPOSE
FOLLOWING PROGRAM:

FEBRUARY 9 - ARRIVE BUCHACFST 1730 HOURS ABOARD RO 226 FROM
BUDAPEST; INFORMAL REPRESENTATIONAL DINNER (OPTIONALLY, FREE FOR
THEATRE).

FEBRUARY 10 - LUNCH AT AMERICAN LIBRARY; AFTERNOON ROUNDTABLE
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DISCUSSION AT LIBRARY WITH THEATRE SPECIALISTS (TENTATIVE); EVENING

PROGRAM AT LIBRARY FOR PUBLIC; REPRESENTATIONAL SUPPER.

FEBRUARY 11 - LECTURE AOEINSTITUTE OF THEATRE ARTS; LATE AFTERNOON ROUNDTABLE WITH ROMANIAN PLAYWRIGHTS AT UNION OF ROMANIAN WRITERS; EVENING FREE TO ATTEND THEATRE.

FEBRUARY 12 - MORNING LECTURE AT UNIVERSITY OF BUCHAREST FACULTY OF ENGLISH; DEPART BUCHAREST 1650 HOURS ABOARD AF 719 FOR BELGRADE.

2. FOR FEBRUARY 10 LIBRARY PROGRAM (THEATRES HERE ARE DARK ON MONDAYS), WE HOPE TO BE ABLE TO ARRANGE PROGRAM FOR FOSTER WITH MEMBERS OF CAST FROM ROMANIAN PRODUCTION OF "ELIZABETH". ALTHOUGH EXACT FORM OF PROGRAM IS STILL UNCERTAIN AND WOULD DEPEND UPON AVAILABILITY AND WILLINGNESS OF CAST TO PARTICIPATE, WE ENVISION

INFORMAL "GIVE-AND-TAKE" IN SPIRIT OF "ELIZABETH" STAGING HERE. FYI-"ELIZABETH" DIRECTOR LIVIU CIULEI IS PRESENTLY IN GERMANY AND POST IS NOT CERTAIN WHEN HE WILL RETURN TO ROMANIA. ROMANIAN PRODUCTION OF "ELIZABETH" WHICH HAD BEEN, SINCE SUMMER PREMIERE, UNUSUAL BREATH OF UNORTHODOXY ON BUCHAREST STAGE, CLOSE PRIOR TO XI PARTY CONGRESS IN LATE NOVEMBER (TO BE REPLACED DURING

CONGRESS BY SOVIET AUTHOR LEONID ZORIN'S "TRANSIT") AND IS NOW SCHEDULED TO REAPPEAR ON JANUARY 8. END FYI.

3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT CONFIRMATION OF FOSTER DATES HERE AND COMMENTS ON OUR PROGRAMMING PROPOSALS PRIOR TO JANUARY 10 TO ALLOW INCLUSION HIS VISIT IN FEBRUARY LIBRARY BULLETIN. AT THE SAME TIME, APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION OUR UNDERSTANDING

FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS IN PARA ONE REFTEL THAT NO POST FUNDS ARE INVOLVED. IF, HOWEVER, WE NEED ISSUE CHECK HERE (CHARGEABLE TO CU AFTER FISCAL DATA IN FOSTER GRANT), WE WILL NEED AT LEAST FOUR WEEKS LEAD TIME SINCE ALL EMBASSY B&F MATTERS NOW HANDLED IN PARIS. PLEASE ADVISE.
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